

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A high shrinkage side-by-side type composite ~~filament,~~
~~wherein filament which comprises~~ two kinds of thermoplastic polymers ~~are arranged side-by-side~~
~~type and side-by-side, one of said thermoplastic polymers having~~ a boiling water shrinkage (Sr2)
measured by the method (initial load = notified denier \times 1/10g, static load = notified denier \times
20/10g) of clause 5.10 of JIS L 1090 ~~which~~ is 20 to 75% ~~of a~~ of the boiling water shrinkage (Sr1)
~~of the other thermoplastic polymer,~~ measured by the method (initial load = notified denier \times
1/30g, static load = notified denier \times 40/30g) of clause 7.15 of JIS L 1013.

2. (Original) A method for manufacturing a high shrinkage side-by-side type composite
filament consisting two kinds of thermoplastic polymers which are arranged side-by-side type,
wherein the two kinds of thermoplastic polymers having a number average molecular weight
difference (ΔM_n) of 5,000 to 15,000 are used upon spinning and the composite filament is drawn
and heat-treated so as to satisfy the following physical properties:

- \times Temperature area exhibiting 95% of maximum thermal stress (T_{max} , 95%) : 120 to 230°C
- \times Range of maximum thermal stress per denier : 0.1 to 0.4g/denier

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the composite filament is drawn and heat-
treated so that the temperature distribution range (T_{max}) of the maximum the thermal stress of
the composite filament is 140 to 200°C.

4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the thermoplastic polymers are polyethylene terephthalate.
5. (Original) A woven or knitted fabric containing the side-by-side type composite filament of claim 1.
6. (New) The composite filament of claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic polymers have a number average molecular weight difference (ΔM_n) of 5,000 to 15,000.
7. (New) The composite filament of claim 1, wherein the temperature area exhibiting 95% of maximum thermal stress is 120 to 230°C.
8. (New) The composite filament of claim 1, wherein the range of maximum thermal stress per denier is 0.1 to 0.4 g/denier.
9. (New) The composite filament of claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic polymers are polyethylene terephthalate.